Good news for homemakers

Stay safe during storms

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Winter Storm Safety

Heavy snows, high winds and sub-freezing temperatures have caused suffering and even death in many areas of the country this year. Winter has really arrived with a snowy, icy calling card.

Again this year, I wish to share information to help you keep your families safer during bad winter weather.

Winter storm safety procedures are second nature to those who live in the northern and mid-western parts of our country, but for others this common knowledge may not be so common. Some things that we should do to help make our homes safer for our families:

1. Pay attention to weather forecasts.

2. Check battery powered equipment, emergency cooking equipment and flashlights, and keep these in good order.

3. Check your supply of heating fuel. Fuel carriers may not be able to deliver during heavy snow and bad road conditions.

4. Stock extra food, Be sure to include foods that need no cooking.

5. If the power is out, keep your refrigerator door closed. The food in your refrigerator and freezer will be safe from spoilage a minimum of two days if you don't open them at all. If you must go in and out of your refrigerator, be sure that you get as many things as necessary at one time and replace them all at one time.

6. Prevent fires by not overheating your stove, heater or furnace. Don't leave fireplaces unattended.

7. Stay indoors as much as possible. Cold winds and temperatures put extra stress on your body.

8. If you must go out, wear several layers of loose-fitting clothing. Layers of clothing trap warm air next to your body and serve as layers of insulation.

9. Get your car winterized. Keep the gas tanks filled. Be sure to use snow tires or chains when traveling.

10 If you must travel in bad weather, be sure someone knows where you are going and the time you expect to arrive.

What should we do during a power failure? The major problem that most of us have is keeping our family and ourselves warm. To conserve body heat, put on extra clothes or extra blankets if it is bedtime. Use layers of clothing, because this serves as layers of insulation. You should keep your head covered. 40% of our body's heat can be lost from our heads.

We should try to improvise an alternate heat source. Some possibilities include a fireplace, wood, coal, gas or oil stoves or space heaters. Please exercise extreme caution when using alternate heat sources in our homes.

We should keep a supply of candles, matches and at least one kerosene or gas lantern handy. This is good for us to have in case the electrical power goes off in our home.

If our water supply is shut off because of electrical outages, sanitation can become a problem. We should flush the toilets only enough to prevent clogging. Some suggestions include having a covered container for disposing of toilet tissue. Another suggestion is to draw a bathtub full of water to have for flushing the toilet.

In case of power outages, turn off or unplug all appliances and turn off all light switches. This will help the power company when they try to turn the power back on, and will keep some of our appliances from being damaged by a sudden surge of power.

If you have any homemaking questions or problems you may call or write the Appomattox County Extension Office. It will be a pleasure to help you in anyway we can. Our phone number is 352-9244, and our Post Office Box is P. O. Box 488, Appomattox, Va. 24522.

Homemakers, have a good week!

RECIPE OF THE WEEK — Geraldine's Coconut Cookies

1 cup shortening or 2 sticks margarine
1 cup sugar
1 cup brown sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
2½ cups flour
1 scant teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup oatmeal
1 cup coconut
1 cup walnuts

Cream shortening with the two sugars. Add eggs, one at a time and cream thoroughly. Add vanilla. Add flour, soda and salt, mixing thoroughly. Fold in oatmeal, coconut and walnuts.

Shape cookie dough in rolls. Chill and slice. Or, these can be dropped immediately. Bake at 400° F. 8-10 minutes.

This recipe makes approximately 100 cookies.

Thanks to Geraldine Marshall for sharing this delicious and unusual cookie recipe with us.

ASCS Today

Big corn crop forecast

By TOM CONRAD

Corn Crop Forecast at 52.8 million bushels - Virginia farmers expect to produce 52.8 million bushels of corn for grain in 1981 according to USDA's November Crop Production Report. This total compares with 32.7 million bushels produced in 1980 and 51 million bushels produced in 1979.

Corn yields are expected to average 88 bushels per acre this year compared with 55 bushels last year and 83 bushels two years ago.

Nationally a record high 8.10 billion bushel crop is expected this year.

The larger supply of corn and expectations for only modest growth in demand will cause corn prices to fall below last year's level.

The opening of the feed grain reserve is expected to provide some strength to grain prices. Farmers who place corn in the reserve will receive in advance an annual storage payment of 26.5 cents per bushel and a nonrecourse loan of $2.61 per bushel. The grain reserve is opened for both 80 and 81 crop currently under loan or eligible to be placed under loan.

The USDA Report shows that Virginia farmers expect to harvest 600,000 acres of corn in 1981, compared with the total 595,000 acres harvested in 1980 and 615,000 acres in 1979.

Flue-Cured Tobacco- As mentioned in a previous article, producer 1982 quotas and allotments will not change from the 1981 quotas and allotments expect for over and under marketings.

Allotment notices will be mailed around January 5, at which time spring leasing will begin. Bulletin board space will be available at the ASCS office for posting leasing intentions.

Wheat and Barley Producers - If anyone was prevented from planting wheat and/or barley this fall for harvest in 1982, contact the ASCS office immediately. This is not for payment purposes but for history purposes only. History acreage may become important under the new farm legislation.

Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) - Shortly after the new year, we will announce a signup for the 1982 ACP. The announcement will be made through this column, newsletter and radio.

The practices that will be offered this year will be: Permanent Vegetative Cover Establishment, Permanent Vegetative Cover Improvement, Stripcropping Systems, Diversions, Terraces, Developing Springs and Seeps, Permanent Vegetative Cover on Critical Areas, Sodwaterways, Animal Waste and Control Facilities.

Forest Tree Plantings, Forest Tree Stand Improvement.

Cost-share rates will range from 50% to 75% of performing the practice.

If you will be establishing or improving permanent vegetative cover, a soil sample will be needed. Soil sample boxes are available at the ASCS office or Extension Office.

Call or come by if you have questions; and again, the sign-up will be announced soon.

Happiness is 4-H

Since New Year's resolutions are on everyone's mind at this time, here are some suggested resolutions for Appomattox 4-H'ers:

1. Complete at least one 4-H project and turn it in at the correct time.

2. Participate in one or more major 4-H events during the year.

3. Involve your parents in 4-H activities, projects or events.

4. Attend 4-H Camp.

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4-H families and others may make tax deductible contributions to Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center at any time during the year. Contributions may be mailed to: Mrs. Preston Wilson, 1409 Trents Ferry Road, Lynchburg, Va. 24501.

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Appomattox's week at 4-H Camp may be changed due to the addition of some new counties to the Holiday Lake Camping group. We hope to know something definite by the middle of January.

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Congratulations to last week's 4-H Public Speaking winners and to all 4-H'ers who participated in the program. A total of 348 young people presented speeches in this year's Public Speaking program. Top winners included: Laura Bradley, Dean Nash, April Hackney, Sharla Kvasnicka, Leroy Woolridge, Beth Marston, Lisa Harrison, Brett Marston, Denise Jackson and Karen Stevens.

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We should be receiving copies of the Wildlife project and the Snacks project by mid-January. These projects are two of the more popular ones with Appomattox 4-H'ers.

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A reminder that strawberry plant orders should be turned in by January 20, 1982. We have a supply of the order forms in the Extension Office.

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If you are one of many 4-H'ers who built bluebird houses last spring, now is a good time to clean out the birdhouse. All nesting materials should be removed as birds will build a new nest each year. Leave your birdhouse up during the winter. Bluebirds may roost in the birdhouses during cold winter nights.

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The winning baby and parents must be residents of Appomattox County. Exact time of birth must be specified by the attending physician, written statement must be submitted to this paper not later than 12:00 noon, January 4, 1981. In the event there is no winner by that time the contest will be extended until a winner is declared.
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